



MILWAUKEE NUMISMATIC NEWS

July-August 2015 – Our next regular meeting will be held Thursday, July 16, 7 PM, at Mayfair Mall community room, lower level. Bob Burlingame will talk on deep sea diving finds. On August 1, we will tour the Grohmann Museum Medal Exhibit at MSOE. There will be no regular meeting in August, but keep the Chicago ANA convention (Aug. 11-15) in mind.

The Milwaukee Numismatic Society, founded in 1934, is the oldest and largest organization in Milwaukee devoted to the study of money. Meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month in the Community Room on the lower level of Mayfair Mall (W. North Avenue at N. Mayfair Road).

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July Coin of the Month: For July we have a virtually flawless 1967 US semi proof mint set, in original mint packaging. The half dollar is silver. Catalog value is \$12, bidding starts at just \$7 for this really neat item.



July 2015 MNS President's Message

Based on the recent news reports it sounds like big change is in the works for the appearance on some of our currency. Originally a movement was pushing to replace Jackson on the twenty dollar bill with that of an historic woman. It appears that the powers that be reached a compromise though, since they have elected to put a woman on the ten dollar bill instead. All of this is a ways off though and is still open to who knows how many more alterations since the update to the ten dollar bill is not due to occur until the year 2020, right in time for the centennial anniversary of the Nineteenth Amendment giving women the right to vote. This is convenient because the ten was the next bill in line for a facelift anyway.

Given that we've had the same style of designs so long I believe that any change to the appearance and design of our currency is welcome. Still, I think altogether getting rid of Hamilton from our currency would be a mistake; after all, he was our first Secretary of the Treasury.

The club auction held at our last meeting was lively and successful. The net sale amount of all lots totaled \$231.25, and the high seller was a binder of nearly 175 Milwaukee bus passes that sold for \$40. Considering the per-pass cost this works out to quite the bargain! Thanks to everyone that consigned, bid, and to Dave for serving as auctioneer again.

At the next meeting we will be educated and entertained by our very own Bob Burlingame. He frequently goes sea diving and exploring for shipwreck treasure, so I am certain he will have many good stories to relay and information to convey.

With the month of August right around the bend, don't forget to put the August 1st informal club outing to the Grohmann Museum medal exhibit on your calendar. Also, club members Tom Ralston and Howard Thorpe reported at the last meeting that they have additional room for a carpool trip down to the ANA show in Chicago. They will be leaving from the College Ave. Park and Ride lot at 9:30 AM on August 11th, planning to return about 3 or 4 PM that afternoon. Please reach out to them if you wish to make the trip.

A motion was proposed and approved by the general membership at the last meeting to increase monthly refreshment expenses to a maximum cap of \$60. Keep in mind that this is an advisory limit – you can always spend less or more, but you will only get reimbursed up to and no more than the \$60 limit.

Please note that this will be the last newsletter to hit your mailbox until early September, as we are giving everyone the month of August off without a meeting. I hope that everyone had a safe and happy Fourth of July holiday. See you at the July meeting!

Happy Collecting,
Justin J. Perrault
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July Editorial Comment: “Proclaim Liberty throughout the land, unto all the inhabitants thereof.” We have been following news reports regarding the potential replacement of the portrait of President Jackson (on the \$20 bill) or first Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton (on the \$10) with that of a noteworthy woman. Put me down as follows: I would leave Hamilton on the \$10 and replace President Jackson with the head on the Statue of Liberty. We all need a reminder of the founding principles and heritage of our country, and Lady Liberty embodies this better than any person or symbol I can think of. Members with other suggestions are invited to write a letter (or e-mail) to the editor. -- LAS

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Schedule

Monthly meetings in 2015 are held at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Community Meeting Room in the lower level of Mayfair Mall. Visitors interested in numismatics are welcome.

Monthly meeting programs

Jan 15:	Officer Inductions; Photograding Flying Eagle & Indian Cents by Darrell L.
Feb 19:	Outdated/Low Value Book Dispersal
March 19:	Open
April 16:	Open
May 21:	Open
June 18:	"Spring" Auction
July 16:	Bob Burlingame "Diving Expedition Treasure Finds"
Aug 1:	Grohmann Museum Outing
Aug 20:	NO MEETING
Sept 17:	Educational Video Viewing
Oct 15:	"Other Collections" Expanded Show & Tell
Nov 19:	Autumn Auction
Dec 17:	Holiday Party; Officer Elections

Annual Dues

Dues for 2015 are \$10. Please pay at the next meeting, or they may be mailed to MNS, PO Box 241174, Milwaukee, WI 53224. Thanks to those who have paid.

PLEASE NOTE:

MNS is a volunteer organization. We always need new and interesting programs, activities, helpers to work at events, and someone to bring refreshments for the meetings. We are also looking for ideas for club outings. MNS will reimburse refreshment expenses up to \$60. To volunteer, please contact Pres. Justin Perrault at 262.785.7663 or VP Jim Heinrich at 262.796.1814. Thanks to everyone who has stepped up by volunteering their time and talent to make this club a success.

2015 Numismatic Events

July 12 th	West Suburban Coin & Collectable Expo (9 AM – 3 PM) 6200 Joliet Rd. Countryside, IL
August 1 st	Grohmann Museum (MSOE) Club Outing – 2:00 PM
Aug. 11-15	ANA World's Fair of Money Stephens Convention Ctr, Rosemont, IL
August 29 th	Sheboygan Coin & Stamp Show Laker's Ice Center (9-3:30 PM) 1202 S. Wildwood Ave.
Sept. 24-26	ILNA 55 th Annual Coin & Currency Show (Thur: 12-6; Fri: 9-7; Sat: 9-4) 18451 Convention Center Rd. Tinley Park, IL
October 4	MNS Annual Coin Show Serb Hall – 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave 9 AM-4 PM
Mar 31- Apr 2, 2016	MNS/SSCC sponsored NOW show

Refreshment Schedule

Jan:	Dave Herrewig
Feb:	Don Kaminski
Mar:	Dave H.
Apr:	Tom Dallmann
May:	Stu C.
Jun:	Howard Thorpe
Jul:	Justin P.
Aug:	N/A
Sep:	Open
Oct:	Open
Nov:	Leon A.
Dec:	Holiday Party

OPENING EVENT

PRESENTATION BY COLLECTOR THOMAS H. GARVER • MAY 15, 7 P.M.

The Grohmann Museum is a unique institution by virtue of its collection and exhibition of works of art which depict the evolution and development of human work. It is thus an appropriate location for this small exhibition of medallic art which honors work and workers, from heavy labor on the factory floor to refined scientific advances, achieved in an immaculate laboratory.

While medals commemorating various historical or commercial events continue to be made, they no longer hold a central place in art and social history, so let this exhibition take you back decades, even a century and more, to another time and place, to the work and workers of that time.



Lucien Coudray (French, 1864-1932), Plowing, ca.1903, Bronze

MSOE is a private, non-profit university, founded in 1903 • 2,800 students • undergraduate and graduate programs • 96% graduate placement rate



Grohmann Museum
Milwaukee School of Engineering
1025 North Broadway
Milwaukee, WI 53202-3109



Above: Louis-Oscar Roty (French, 1846-1911), Travail les Ressources, France, 1899, Silver plated bronze. At right: Johann Cornelius Weinecke (Dutch, 1872-1945), Mining, Exploitation, 1913, Bronze

METAL FOR METTLE: HISTORIC COMMEMORATIVE MEDALS HONORING LABOR AND ACHIEVEMENT

May 15-Aug. 23, 2015



Scouts earn coin collecting merit badges

Thirty-six Boy Scouts successfully completed their coin collecting merit badges at the 35th annual Milwaukee Numismatic Society Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic held in Milwaukee March 21.

The clinic, sponsored and organized by the Milwaukee Numismatic Society since 1980, was held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel near the Milwaukee Airport, in conjunction with the three-day South Shore Coin Club annual show.

The four-hour Saturday morning program provided boys aged 11 to 14 with a comprehensive overview of numismatics. Topics covered include coin and paper money manufacture, coin basics and terminology, storing a coin collection, coin identification, mints and mint marks, designer's initials, the state quarter program, coin grading, paper currency basics, and an introduction to federal banking system. At the conclusion of the program, all scouts attended the coin show bourse and had a chance to view and purchase coins and currency offered for sale by dealers.

Each scout was presented with a goody bag filled with collectible coins, tokens, paper currency, and numismatic publications, all donated to MNS by dealers and various organizations. Special gifts were distributed for answering difficult questions. This year donations were received from Greater Milwaukee Coin (Brookfield, Wis.), American Coin (Racine, Wis.), Bob's OK Coins



Boy Scouts completed their Coin Collecting merit badge at a clinic organized by the Milwaukee Numismatic Society.

(Milwaukee), and Bob's Coins and Derzor Coins (both West Allis, Wis.). MNS is extremely grateful to all supporters.

The merit badge clinic was inaugurated 35 years ago by veteran MNS members Lee Hartz and Tom Casper, and substantially enhanced by Bruce Benoit. Principal speaker and clinic coordinator for 2015 was MNS Past-President Leon Saryan.

The success of the clinic is the result of a great team effort, Saryan said. Stu Caddell took care of audio visuals. Video clips from a movie documentary entitled the "Money Story" demonstrated the processes used for the production of coins and paper currency. Volunteers checked the boys in, exam-

ined their collections, and graded their quizzes. Featured speakers included Roger Lick, who discussed coin grading; Dave Hunsicker, who spoke about mintmarks and designer initials, and Justin Perrault, who presented paper money and the United States Federal Reserve system. Clinic coordinator Saryan presented an introduction to coin collecting and described the state quarter program.

Other key volunteers were Gary Bieringer, Henry Javorsky, Betty Petrovick, Josh Whitehall, Dave Herrewig, Bruce Bartelt, Howard Thorpe and Jeff Gaffke.

This year's program was well-received by the boys and several parents who attended.

Milwaukee Numismatic Society

Minutes, June 18, 2015

The 959th regular meeting of the MNS was called to order by President Justin Perrault at 7 PM. More than 20 members were present. The president led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes were recorded by Jeff Gaffke with assistance from Leon Saryan.

Door prizes were won by: Justin Perrault, Tom Snyder, Henry Javorski, Peter Caddell, Howard Thorpe, Harry Siaggas, Stu Caddell, Bruce Bartelt, and Leon Saryan. The coin of the month, a US commemorative half dollar, sold to Tom Ralston for \$7.

Minutes of the May 21 meeting were approved as printed without objection. The treasurer reported \$70 in receipts and \$342.69 in disbursements for the month. The raffle fee was paid. The treasurer's report was filed for review.

There will be no regular meeting in August. On August 1, 2 PM, members will meet at the Grohmann Museum on the MSOE campus for a tour of the medal exhibit. The July meeting program will be by Bob Burlingame on diving finds. A volunteer is needed for refreshments for the July meeting. A discussion took place about carpooling to the ANA on August 11.

Scott Vesely was unanimously accepted as a new MNS member.

Tom Casper gave a report on the upcoming MNS Show. Raffle tickets will be available in July.

In consideration of the increased price of grocery items, a motion was made by Howard Thorpe, seconded by Leon Saryan, to increase the refreshment allowance to a maximum of \$60 per month. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Exhibits were shown by the following members: Peter Caddell about the proposal for a woman on the \$10 bill, Leon Saryan on modern Armenian error coins and a medieval Armenian brockage, and Jeff Gaffke showed elongated cents and a silver strike.

Thanks to Howard Thorpe who brought refreshments.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Gaffke

BADGER BOYS STATE LEADERSHIP SCHOOL

by Tom Casper

The 74th session of Badger Boys State (BBS) was held June 13-20, 2015. It is a youth leadership program, held yearly since 1939 at the Ripon College campus in Ripon, Wisconsin. It is sponsored by the Wisconsin American Legion. To be eligible high school boys must be between their junior and senior year of high school. There were 870 boys in attendance this year. The program offers sports, music, newspaper, color guard, and discussion sessions.

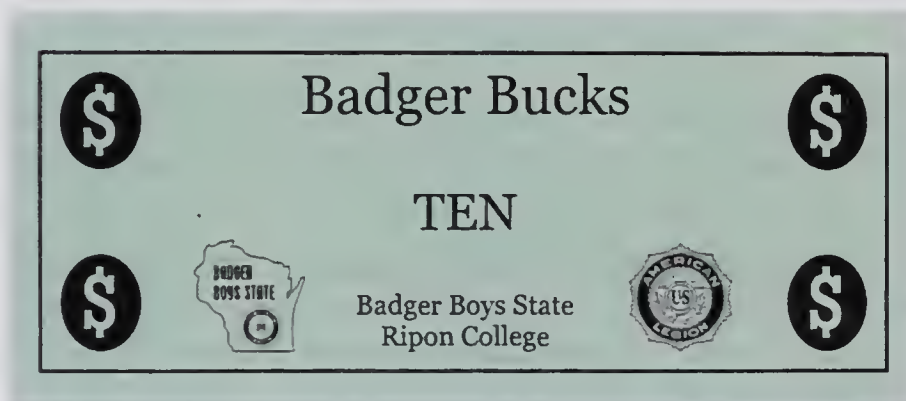
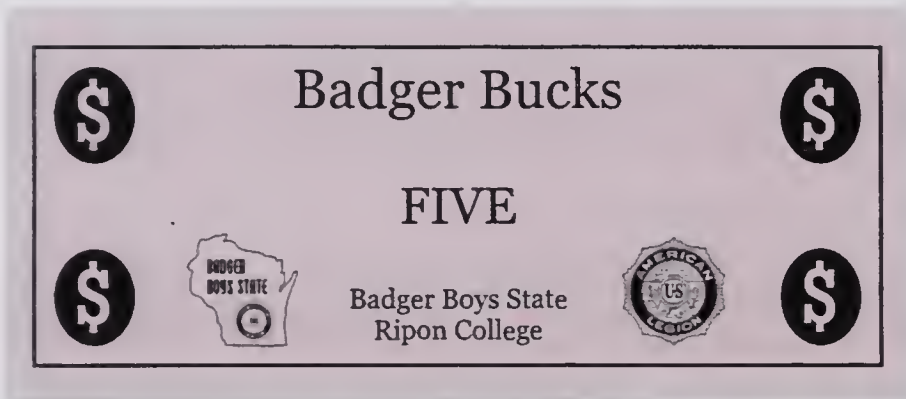
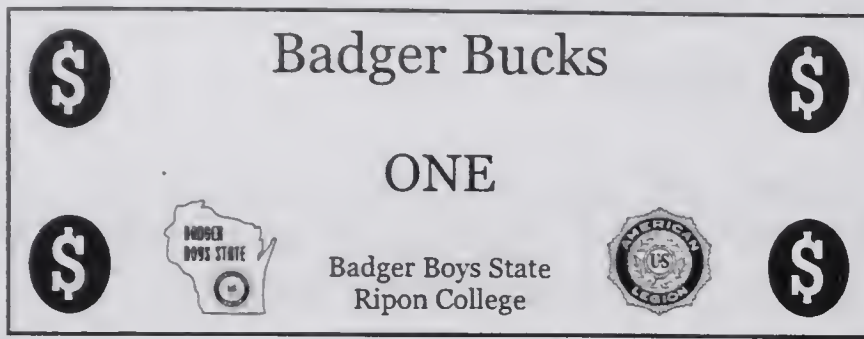
Boys select three of nine schools they want to attend during the week. Some of the schools offered were Law School, Parliamentary School, Peace Officers School, Public Finance, and Journalism.

The Badger Bugle Citizen, the official daily newspaper, showed the menu and the itinerary for the day. The "citizens" were divided into 27 cities, 9 counties forming the 51st state. Offices on the state, county, and local level were up for election. A citizen running for an office had to campaign and give an impromptu speech why he should be elected.

The routine was up at 6 AM and lights out and taps at 11 PM. In the mornings they attended their Schools of Instruction with lectures from prominent people. In the afternoon, so the boys could burn off some energy, they played basketball, frisbee, football, soccer and a 5K race. A band, chorus and color guard were formed. They performed at the inaugural assembly attended by parents, staff and dignitaries. Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker appeared and posed for group photos. Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice Ann Walsh Bradley administered the oath of office to those elected to State positions.

I first became aware of this school a number of years ago when I picked up a badge for my collection which read, "Police, Badger Boys State". It is nickel, 38mm x 44mm with a pin on the back. The Police Chief is one of the elected positions which the boys can run for. My grandson attended this year's school. He played drums in the band, and was elected alderman in the City of Hoard. On returning home he presented me with some numismatic treasures from the program. He gave me examples of \$1, \$5, and \$10 Badger Bucks which were the only denominations issued. They measure 6³/₄" x 2³/₄" with blank backs. They were issued to the boys so they could pay their taxes. They were taxed on their rooms, depending how orderly they were, their campaign literature and other items. He also presented me with a 37mm, brass, enameled, souvenir medal from the program. When I asked my grandson what he learned while there, he replied, "I know I don't want to go into politics."

This program offers an experience of a lifetime for our leaders of tomorrow. They were given valuable life lessons and skills which they can use the rest of their lives and will enable them to develop a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation.



Numismatic memorabilia of Badger Boys State